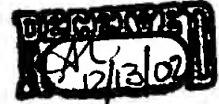


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Please replace the paragraph on page 2, lines 6-14 with the following:

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